Minutes of the KPFK Local Station Board Meeting of 09/15/05

A regular meeting of the KPFK Local Station Board was held on Thursday, September 15, 2005 at the Peace Center, 8124 West 3rd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90048, the Chair, being in the chair and the Secretary being present. The minutes of the LSB meetings of August 20, 2005 and August 31, 2005 were approved.

Eighteen members were present, constituting a quorum: Grace Aaron, Dave Adelson, Maria Armoudian (arrives at 8:41pm), Lydia Brazon, Marie Deary (leaves at 10:20 PM), Israel Feuer, Sherna Gluck, Jan Goodman, Terry Goodman (arrives at 7:38pm), Sonali Kolhatkar, Arturo Lemus, Alan Minsky, Ed Pearl, Reza Pour (arrives at 7:38pm), Julie Rodriguez, Madeleine Schwab, Donna Warren (arrives at 8:24) and Don White.

Also present: Treasurer Casey McFall and Secretary Carol Nealy.

Five Members were excused, having requested excuses prior to the meeting: Rodrigo Argueta, Bill Gallegos, Kimberly King, Margaret Prescod and Lamont Yeakey.

One member was absent: Sara Amir.

Authority and Notice: This meeting was authorized by the adoption of a regular meeting schedule on January 10, 2005. Notice was posted on the KPFK web site beginning on September 15, 2005. (See Appendix A.) No broadcast announcements were feasible, due to late venue confirmation.

AGENDA ITEM I. CALL TO ORDER, CALL OF THE ROLL, WELCOME &

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA, APPROVAL OF LSB MINUTES, APPROVAL OF EXCUSED ABSENCES

The meeting was called to order at 7:36pm.

The proposed agenda is amended and **approved**. (See Appendix B.)

APPROVAL OF LSB MINUTES

Motion: Terry Goodman moves to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2005 meeting.

Motion passes: Y:10, N:0, A:2

Motion: Sherna Gluck moves to approve the minutes of the August 31, 2005 meeting.

Motion passes: Y:10, N:0, A:3

APPROVAL OF EXCUSED ABSENCES

Motion: The Chair entertains a motion that excused absences be granted for today's meeting for Rodrigo Argueta, Bill Gallegos, Kimberly King, Margaret Prescod and Lamont Yeakey. Unidentified members so move.

Motion passes: Y:14, N:0, A:0

Motion: Jan Goodman moves that the Governance Committee consider the issue of excused absences and prepare proposals for consideration at the next LSB meeting.

Motion passes without objection.

AGENDA ITEM II. COMMENTS BY THE CHAIR 7:55pm

AGENDA ITEM III. REVIEW OF BOARD POLICY ON PUBLIC COMMENT/RESOLUTION OF BOARD MOTION WHICH HAD A "SUNSET" CLAUSE/POSSIBLE PROPOSAL 7:57 pm

Motion: Terry Goodman moves that the resolution previously approved by the Local Station Board regarding public comment at its meetings be amended to strike out the final sentence relating to its sunset.

Motion ruled out of order.

Point of order: Dave Adelson asserts that the motion referred to cannot be amended as it has already expired.

Well taken.

Motion: The Governance Committee moves (as amended) that substantial motions (meaning not including procedural motions such as approval of the agenda, minutes, excusing absences, etc.) be voted on after they are presented and discussed by the LSB with the proviso that some time be allotted for public comment on said motion before each vote; the amount of time left up to the discretion of the Chair. Also, the time allotted for individual listeners comments shall be anywhere between 1 minute and 90 seconds at the discretion of the Chair. The Chair shall ensure that sufficient time (a minimum of 10 minutes) is left for general public comment later in the meeting. Any allotted time unused by listeners may be used later in the meeting by the public.

Motion passes: Y:12, N:0, A:2

AGENDA ITEM IV. BUDGET & FINANCE/REPORT FROM FINANCE COMMITTEE/BUDGET PROPOSAL $8:10\,\mathrm{pm}$

Casey McFall gives a verbal report.

Motion: The Finance Committee moves that the proposed budget for fiscal year 2006, as amended to show that the line item regarding LSB expenses is adjusted correctly to \$8,000, be approved to submit to the National Finance Committee.

ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

YES:Grace Aaron, Dave Adelson, Maria Armoudian, Lydia Brazon, Marie Deary), Israel Feuer, Sherna Gluck, Jan Goodman, Arturo Lemus, Alan Minsky, Ed Pearl, Reza Pour, Julie Rodriguez, Madeleine Schwab, Donna Warren and Don White.

NO: Terry Goodman

ABSTENSION: Sonali Kolhatkar, **Motion passes:** Y:16, N:1, A:1

AGENDA ITEM V. REPORT FROM DIRECTORS/ISSUES AT HOUSTON PNB MEETING 9/23 9/24 9/25 --- VOTE ON NEW PACIFICA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 8:53pm

Maria Armoudian gives a verbal report.

Motion: Alan Minsky moves as follows:

The KPFK LSB requests that the following resolution be presented at the National Board meeting in Houston:

Whereas, There has not been adequate time for thorough background checks; and

Whereas, The Houston meeting will be the first occasion for the National Board to have a face to face meeting with the candidates for Executive Director;

The KPFK LSB requests, That the National Board not tender an offer to hire an Executive Director at the meeting in Houston until adequate background checks have been conducted and there has been time for judicious and adequate evaluation of the candidates.

David Adelson **recuses** himself from voting on this motion.

Motion passes: Y:11, N:4, A:1

AGENDA ITEM VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS: [1] GOVERNANCE [3] MANAGEMENT REVIEW [5] ARTS [2] PROGRAMMING OVERSIGHT [6] COMMITTEE OF INCLUSION [4] OUTREACH

Motion: Sherna Gluck moves that the Pacifica National Board follow the most recent edition of Robert's Rules of Order pertaining to the right of Chairs to vote and make motions.

Motion ruled out of order.

Point of oreder: Terry Goodman asserts that the motion is dilatory because the Bylaws already specify that Robert's Rules of Order is the Foundation's parliamentary authority.

Well taken.

VII. REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

An attempt to hear a report from the General Manager telephonically was unsuccessful. (See written report in Appendix C)

Motion: Terry Goodman moves as follows:

Whereas, There is some controversy and confusion about the ability of Local Station Boards to call special meetings, but there may have to be a special meeting called for the purpose of considering approval of a bylaws amendment, *Therefore*, The LSB authorizes its Chair to call a special meeting for this purpose, if necessary.

Motion passes: Y:8, N:0, A:0 The meeting **adjourned** at 10:33 PM

Carol L. Nealy KPFK LSB Secretary

These minutes were approved 10/15/05.

APPENDIX A - Public Notice

The KPFK Local Station Board will be holding its regular scheduled September meeting tonight, Thursday, September 15, 2005, at 7 pm at the Peace Center, 8124 West 3rd Street (near Crescent Heights), four blocks west of Fairfax. There is some parking in the rear off the alley; the only "covered lot" in that alley. Posting Refs:

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http://disc.server.com/discussion.cgi?disc=165346;article=38681

http://disc.server.com/discussion.cgi?disc=203188;article=7974

APPENDIX B - Approved Agenda

KPFK Local Station Board Meeting [LSB] Meeting

Thursday, September 15, 2005 - 7pm

The Peace Center 8124 West 3rd Street Los Angeles, CA 90048

[Note: The board has instituted a policy pertaining to the 30 minutes of listener comments. Before votes, with the exception of procedural issues, the chair will call for public comment, usually two for and two against. This will be subtracted from the 30 minutes assigned to public comment. If the time is not used up to address issuing being voted on, a segment of public comment will be conducted to insure the full use of the assigned time.]

- I. Call to Order, Call of the Roll, Welcome & Acknowledgements, Review and Approval of the Agenda, Approval of LSB Minutes, Approval of Excused Absences [6 minutes]
- II. Comments by the Chair [1 minute]
- III. Review of Board policy on Public Comment/Resolution of Board motion which had a "sunset" clause/possible proposal [4 minutes]
- IV. Budget & Finance/Report from Finance Committee/Budget proposal [20 minutes]
- V. Report from Directors/Issues at Houston PNB meeting 9/23 9/24 9/25 --- Vote on new Pacifica Executive Director [20 minutes]
- VI. Committee Reports: [1] Governance [3] Management Review [5] Arts [2] Programming Oversight [6] Committee of Inclusion [4] Outreach [each committee 10 minutes / total 1 hour]
- VII. Report of the General Manager: written report [4 minutes]
- VIII. Remainder of Public Comment [remaining from a total of 30 minutes]
- IX. Next Meeting / Announcements / Adjournment. [5 minutes]

APPENDIX C - Report from the General Manager

KPFK General Manager Report

For

KPFK Local Station Board

Prepared by

Eva Georgia and the KPFK Management Team.

Submitted September 12, 2005

PROGRAMMING

Music programming changes successfully instituted by promoting changes daily two weeks prior on the air and on the web. KPFK instituted this as a new policy.

The search for a new music program for the Tuesday night slot is being solicited on air and on the web.

Youth voices continue to increase through programs such as Sojourner Truth and Indy Media among other.

New changes as follows: New program being introduced to drive time 4pm, Connie Rice and Roy Ulrich come in as new public affairs team on Fridays 4pm.

Pocho Hour of Power moves to 3 pm and David Barsamian moves to 2pm.

News Room studio upgrades have begun.

November Election Cycle coming up:.

Programming Highlights:

- 911 Programming on Sunday 9/11/05
- Special Katrina Programming throughout the last 3 weeks
- Special Day of fund raising for Katrina survivors on Thursday, September 15
- Roberts confirmation hearings broadcast
- Live Broadcast/Special programming on the Watts Uprising Anniversary from the Watts Community Labor Center.
- Special programming on the anniversary of the Chicano Moratorium on the Vietnam War. August 29th
- Successful broadcast of The Courtyard Word and Peace†from Bovard Aud. At USC.
- KPFK spearheaded the national production for the National Pacifica Labor day programming.

OPERATIONS

News 1&2 upgrades underway. Operations Director has been working on our phone system with Corporate Telecomm to eliminate the problems and also our Internet speed. Quotes received on the removal of the air conditioning units are being reviewed.

DEVELOPMENT

June Fund Drive Update- Summary:

Pledge \$ 1,054,373 Web: \$46, 916.40.40

Pledge Fulfillment as of 9/12/05 is 78.1% or \$825, 901.

Premium Shipping completed: 89% or shipped 8789 premiums.

Fall Direct Mail:

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Drops on September 15- to 27,430 K members;

15,000 from Acquisition lists of Amnesty Int./Nation/ Hightower Lowdown (exchange).

July KPFK 46 birthday Direct Mail: Return is \$35,237.79 to date.

KPFK Special Fundraiser for Survivors of Katrina: Thursday, Sept. 15.

Music Marathon, 10am-Midnight.

Also, see KPFK website for organizations we are collaborating with for Caravan of Hope including

Veterans For Peace (VFP), Blackwol Media Entertainment and other grassroots groups and organizations.

Car Donation: Charitable Auto Resources, Inc. Several cars have been donated since on air announcement of opportunity to donate made known to listeners. Special toll free # is (877) 573-5288 (877-KPFK-AUTO).

Fall Fund Drive: OCTOBER 11-OCTOBER 23. The goal is \$950,000 over 13 days. First deadline is September 20 to Subscriptions of Programmers' Acquisition forms for premiums.

Proposals for Grants under review:

Community Technology Foundation of California based in San Francisco is reviewing our proposal Voices of Tomorrow, youth training in radio and digital technologies, requesting \$50,000 during October.

Proteus Media Fund is reviewing our proposal for special programming re HIV/AIDS.

Proposals Submitted:

NEH proposal for series on HIV-AIDS submitted 3/21. Response expected by October.

Colin Higgins Foundation: Joint Request with Women Alive for special Media project for \$15,000.

Submitted to on July 1. Pending.

Skylark Foundation: Submitted Letter of Inquiry on August 12 for youth training. Pending.

To be submitted:

Streisand Foundation pertaining to their focus on youth in L.A. for Sept. 1 round.

Reviewing guidelines:

Roth Family Fdn.

California Community Fdn.

The biggest change in KPFK.org this month has to do with the Audio Archives.

Over the last few months the audio archive use has increased dramatically.

Because of this we've moved the archives onto a separate system; this has increased the overall performance and speed of both the website and the Audio archives.

In depth statistics for KPFK.org can be viewed at http://www.kpfk.org/awstats/awstats.pl

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WEB REPORT FOR

KPFK.ORG

Sep 12th, 2005

Total Website Hits Between Aug 1st & Aug 31, 2005 3,219,209